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ACTION SS-25

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FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV
TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 9331
AMEMBASSY CAIRO FLASH
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY JIDDA IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 9292

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, IS, EG, US
SUBJECT: BEGIN'S INVITATION TO SADAT

1. HAVE JUST TALKED TO BEGIN (0620 LOCAL) AND EXPLAINED THAT CONTRARY TO CARIO RADIO REPORTS LETTER NOT YET DELIVERED TO SADAT BECAUSE OF NEED FOR TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CARTER. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD PROBLEM AND WOULD IMMEDIATELY GIVE ORDERS TO STOP PUBLICATION, WHICH HAD BEEN SET TO OCCUR AT 0700 THIS MORNING. BEGIN SAID HE WOULD AWAIT OUR CINFIRMATION THAT DELIVERY HAD ACTUALLY OCCURRED, WHICH I TOLD HIM WOULD NOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL THURSDAY AFTERNOON. (EVRON SUBSEQUENTLY CALLED TO CONFIRM THAT PUBLICATION HAS BEEN STOPPED. WE AGREED TO SAY TO PRESS ONLY THAT THE LETTER NOT YET DELIVERED, BUT THAT DELIVERY WOULD OCCUR SHORTLY AFTER SADAT'S RETURN FROM DAMASCUS ON THURSDAY. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT AND CAIRO STICK TO SAME PRESS LINE).

2. I TOLD BEGIN THAT EILTS NOW THOUGHT IT POSSIBLE
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SADAT MIGHT CHOOSE TO COME DURING EID HOLIDAY PERIOD AFTER ALL, AND THEREFORE HE SHOULD AWAIT THE REPLY BEFORE MAKING ANY FINAL DECISION ON HIS LONDON TRIP. I ASSURED HIM HE COULD EXPECT A RESPONSE BY FRIDAY, WHICH HE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

3. CAIRO'S 18988 UNFORTUNATELY NOT RECEIVED UNTIL 0800

(LOCAL) NOVEMBER 16. THEREFORE, WE WERE NOT RPT NOT
AWARE OF "TRANSMITTAL LETTER GAMBIT," TO AVOID FUTURE
POSSIBLY UNFORTUNATE DELAYS IN RELAY OF CAIRO MESSAGES,
SUGGEST THEY BE SLUGGED "EXDIS HANDLE AS NODIS" AND
TRANSMITTED Laterally TO TEL AVIV SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH
TRANSMISSION TO WASHINGTON.
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Message Attributes

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